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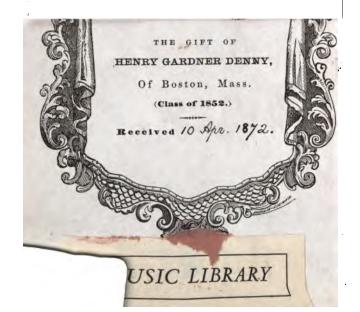
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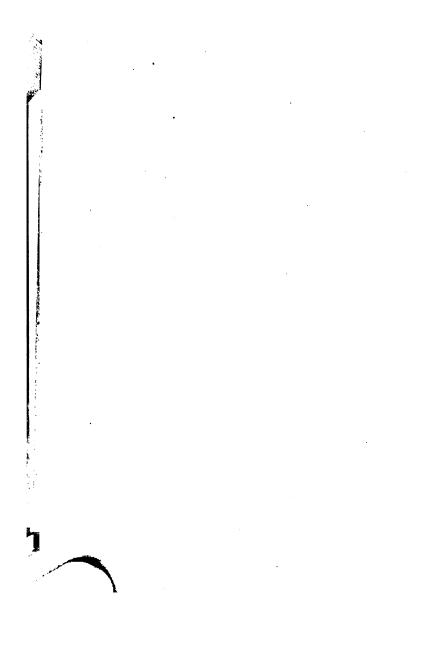
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# To the Friends of "Our Song Birds."

We are very desirous that you should understand why this little work is issued, and how to use it. We, therefore, offer the following remarks:

1st. Very many of the music books now in use in the day schools, are simply Sunday school music books, never intended for day schools, and not adapted to them. The religious songs and hymns will answer, perhaps, very well for opening exercises, but the pupils need many other songs, such as are suitable for recreation, or for social enjoyment; and songs of this character are supplied in this book to meet such wants.

2M7. The Sunday school, besides requiring sacred music for regular religious services, needs temperance songs, patriotic songs, excursion songs, festival and exhibition songs. These are, also, supplied in this work, but answer just as well, and are needed just as much, in the day school, and at home around the fireside.

3RD. Hence, to get the full value of the book, it should belong to the pupil, instead of being locked up in the library. He should use it at home, and in the day school, as well as the Sunday school; and to encourage as many as possible to buy for themselves, the price is put lower than music of the same quantity and quality can be procured in any other shape.

4TH. After inducing as many of the pupils as possible to purchase for themselves, a suitable supply may be provided to remain permanently in the school library.

5TH. Some say, "we are not able to purchase a new book every three months." We answer, it is not necessary to do so. Many scholars want a new book as often as once a quarter; others once in six months; others once a year. Remember that each number is a complete book in itself, and can be purchased by itself.

6TH. The Sunday school and the day school should open with a hymn that has real worship in it; something entirely free from flippancy, either in sentiment or style; something that shall cause all to look upward to the Lord and address Him directly, and invoke His blessing. Such hymns will be found in the beginning of this book, and generally will occupy about ten pages. Some who glance at them will say, "we want more soul-stirring music than this;" but we submit that for the most part, soul-subduing music is the best, when we are about to invoke the presence and blessing of the Divine Being.

After the regular lessons are over, a spirited song or two is very proper, and these will be found in the miscellaneous department.

G. F. R.

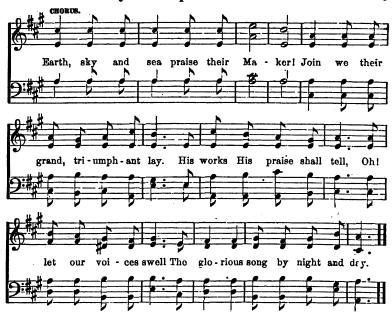
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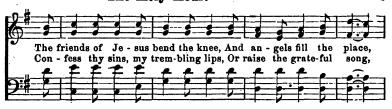


4. The Lord, our God on high, hath built, beyond the sky, A brighter, more pure, and a better world than this. That home to which we go hath neither pain nor woe, But only perfect joy and bliss.—CHORUS.

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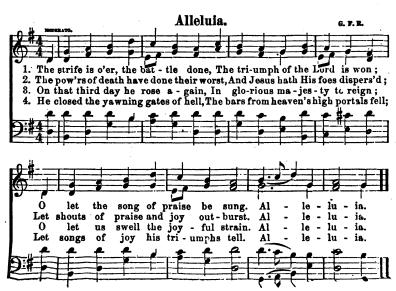








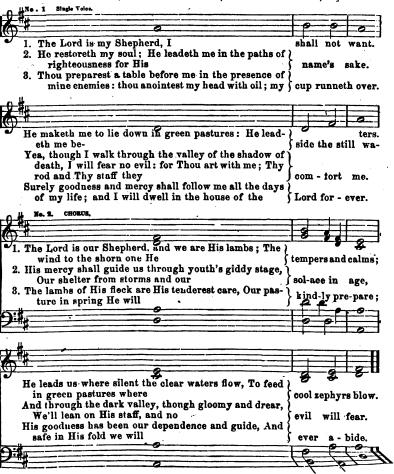
- The gentle Shepherd flies,
   (Oh wealth of love untold!)
   To hear, and help, and heal and bless
   The humblest of his fold.
- 4. Oh, Shepherd, Savior, King,
  Come, make this heart thy throne;
  Drive out thy foes, thou Mighty One,
  And make me all thine own.



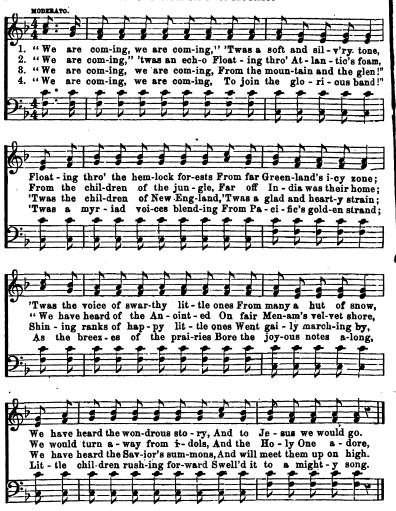


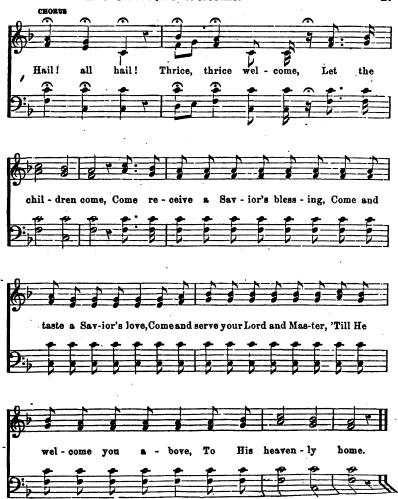


[The verses of these two chants are to be sung alternately, the first verse of No. 2 following the first verse of No. 1; the second verse of No. 2, the second verse of No. 1, &c.]



## The Children's Welcome.





# "Feed My Lambs."

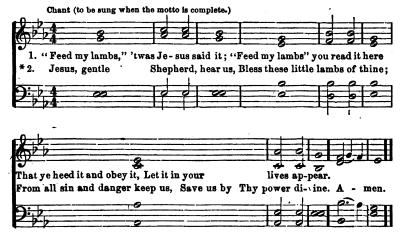
For Sunday School Concerts or Exhibitions. To be sung by eleven little girls, standing in the form of a crescent, each with a card or shield hung upon the breast, having upon it one letter of the Scripture motto which is the theme of the whole song. At first the letters are all reversed and unseen. But each singer turns her card and reveals her letter as she sings. All may sing the first six lines of the poetry if desired.

J. H. Edwards.



- 5. Fourth among the list of letters
  Stands the one you ask of me;
  So I think 'twill not surprise you,
  When I show the letter D.
- All my little friends above me Stepped from up the alphabet;
   I go half way down the column, And the letter M I get.
- Farther down than all the others
   To the last but one I'll go;
   And the letter Y will furnish,
   Which completes two words, you
   know.
- 8. Next the letter L is wanted
  In the work we have to do;
  It begins the name Christ taught
  us,
  Here I turn it round to you.

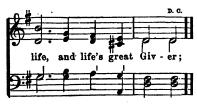
- Before all the other letters
   Is the one I bring you now;
   It is A, and lambs without it
   Cant be spelled, as you'll allow.
- Once before upon the platform
   Has my letter been { to night in sight }
   But another M is needed,
   So I'll turn it to the light.
- Since my little friend above me In the line has called out A,
   Tis but just a B to furnish, So I've brought it up this way.
- 12. Last of all in this procession, With the letter S I stand, Which, you know, completes the spelling Of our Saviour's blest command.



\* The 2d vorse of the chant may be repeated by one little girl, all singing the "Amen;" or it may be chanted like the first verse.

[Not long ago, a missionary lady in Africa wrote that the little Zulu children were very fond of "Shining Shore," and sang it a great deal (she had translated the words into their language). She also wrote that it would be very pleasant to them to have a song written especially for them, which has been done. This is it.]





- We love to hear the Sabbath chime
   That swells this joyful story;
   The manger-cradled babe of time,
   Eternal King of glory:
   We love to think of those above,
   In lilied pastures feeding,
   And He, the Shepherd of our love,
   The lambs so gently leading.
- 8. We look across the darkened wave
  For loved ones, summoned early;
  We see no shadow of the grave,
  Beyond the portals pearly:
  But tell us more of that bright shore,
  Of Him, who will deliver
  From every snare of sin and care,
  And lead us o'er the river.
- 4. Then we, a little Zulu band,
  Will sing the story olden,
  And pass along the shining strand,
  O'er streets with pavement golden;
  And o'er and o'er will we adore
  His goodness—life's great Giver,
  And breathe His praise in sweetest
  lays,

When we have crossed the river.





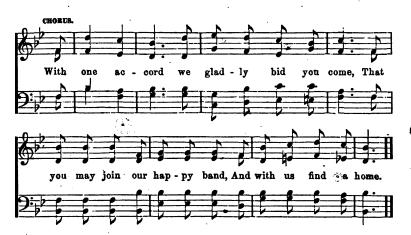




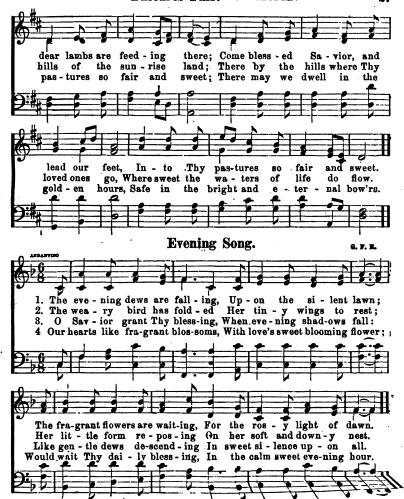




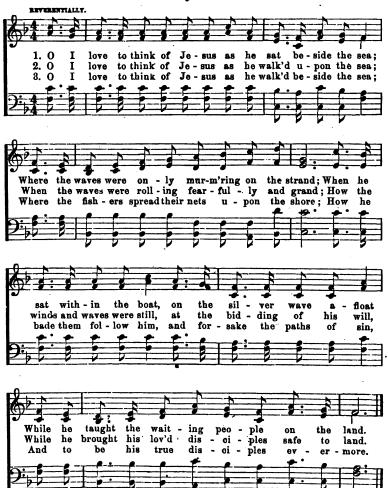
- 1. Oh, I would join your hap-py band, My heart's al-readwy there; And trav-el with you to that land, For-ev-er bright and fair.
- 2. 'Tis here my bet-ter friends I meet, Friends of my heart and soul, With them in heavenly pla-ces sit, With them my name en roll.
- 8. Oh, from this band of shove and truth My feet count never stray; But in the joy-ful days of youth Pur-sue the shin-ing way.











# Jesus by the Sea.—Concluded.



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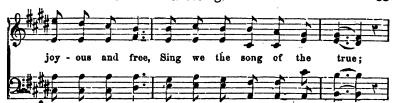
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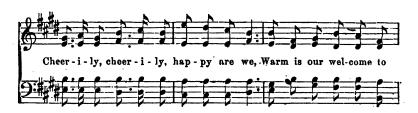




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3. Gems have we brought to delight the soul, And flowers whose fragrance shall e'er be whole, That cheer life's way along; Then give your hearts and extend your hands, And let us bind you in silken bands, The bands of love and song.

CHORUS—Oh! joyously, joyously sound we the strain,
For 'tis the song of the true;
Cheerily, cheerily give we again,
Welcome, thrice welcome to you.
Welcome! welcome!
Welcome, thrice welcome to you.







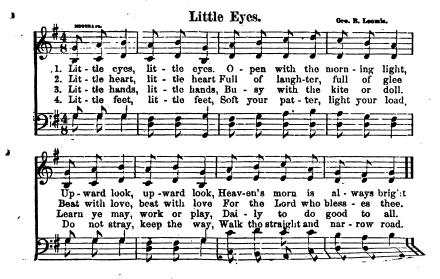
A TALK WITH THE TEACHTRS.—Your task is a delicate and very difficult one. There are two things you are siming to do: One is to implant in the minds of your pupils the formulas of religious truth. These they cannot, at present, understand, but they will come up in after life, and will then, let us hope, be put into daily practice.

This part of your labor addresses itself to the memory, which, by a merciful provision of the Creator, is, during infancy, exceedingly susceptible and retoutive. Your object will be most effectual? - accomplished by having your class repeat, in concert, appropriate selections from Scripture, reading it to them clause by clause, they immediately repeating your words. The selections may vary; now a few verses from a Psalm; new from the Gospel, &c. But the Lord's frayer and the Ten Commandments should never be omitted.

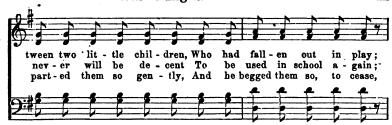
The other department of your work consists in showing them the right and wrong modes of actions. They are not ready yet for the higher laws of religious life, and the best you can do, and all you can do, is to show them what, at their stage of life, they are likely to do that is wrong, and what they can do that is right.

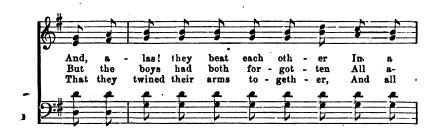
This part of your work addresses itself to their understanding, and is to be accomplished by telling them of the various actions and conduct of men, children, animals, &c., and showing them wherein they are correct, or otherwise. You will be greatly aided by pictures, and especially by songs. We do not approve of the hymns that teach little children to call this world a "wilderness of woe," and to express a longing to got out of it, or away from it.

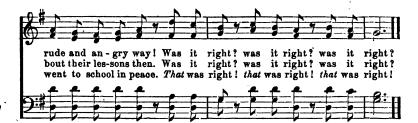
Nor are they capable of appreciating hymns of a deeply spiritual character. We offer the following as specimens of the kind of songs which we believe would do most good, and we beg the teachers and the mothers to give them a fair man.

















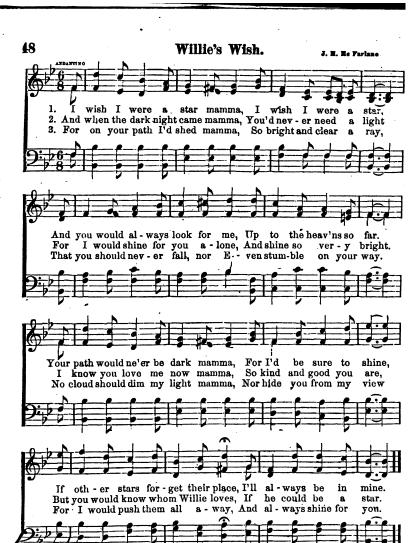








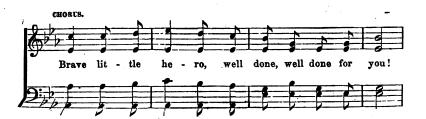






Now work is done, and we'll go home, O come a - long boys come.

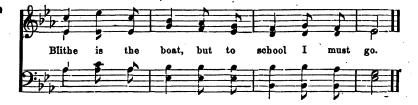






[The chorus take up the words of the 2d voice in every verse when they get here.]

Dear - ly I love on the riv - er to row;



## 0 come away to the School-Room.

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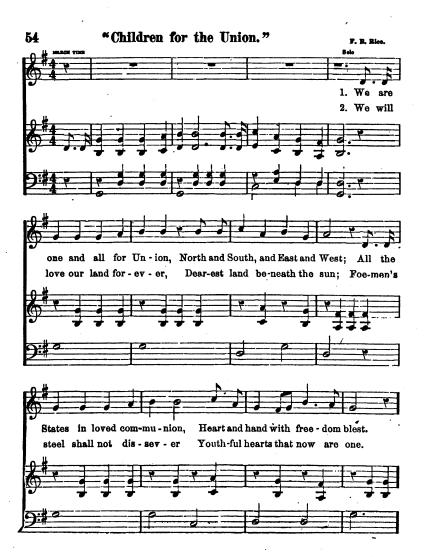


- 1. O come a-way to the school-room, O come quick-ly a way;
- 2. Now play claims all our at ten tion, With joy mer ri ly shout
- 3. And when our stud-ies are o ver, We'll hie a-way to our homes;











- We are all a band of brothers,
   All the States are sisters too,
   And in time there will be others
   That shall happy vows renew.
   CHORUS. Then join, &c.
- 4. Union now, and Union ever!
  True hearts now for Union all!
  We will keep it safe and never
  Shall our glorious Union fall!
  CHORUS. Then join, &c.



For the following verses it will be sometimes necessary to divide or join the notes of the tune a little differently from what they are for the first verse, in order to accommodate the accent and number of syllables; but it will not be difficult to arrange.]

- 2. "I'll be a thrush," said Minnie,
  "And sing you my sweetest song,
  And have my nest where the lilies blow
  And the streamlet glides along."
  "I," said her little sister,
  "Oh! I'll be a little wren,
  And sing all day 'till the sun goos
  - And sing all day 'till the sun goes down,

    And the world grows dark again "

And the world grows dark again."

8. "I'll be a crow," said Willie,
"And the farmers' corn I'll pull;
And that'll let some of the mischief
out,
Ten of wichief I am fall?"

For of mischief I am full."
"I'll be a great proud eagle,
And my home shall be the sky,"
Said Johnny, "and I'll go sailing swift
The clouds and the mountains by."

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- 4. "I'll be an owl," said Henry,
  "And sit in an old oak tree,
  And all the rest of the little birds
  Shall be so 'fraid of me."
  "I'll be a lark," said Mary,
  "And sing at the break of day;"
  "And I'll be a hawk," said Philip
  Lee.
- "I'll be a man," said Georgy,
   And his little face grew bright;
   "For a man knows more than all the birds;"
   And the little bey was right.

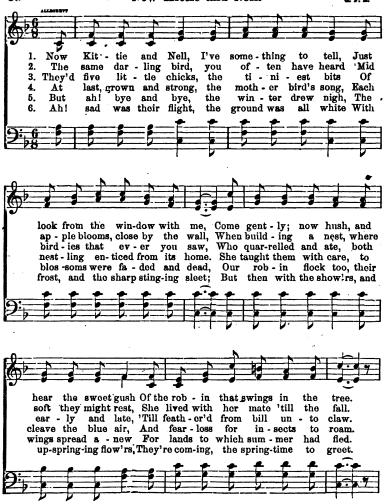
"And frighten the lark away."

"If there's a man among us,"
Said the pretty little wren,
"I think we'd all better fly away,
For birds are afraid of men."

### **Vowel and Consonant Exercise.**

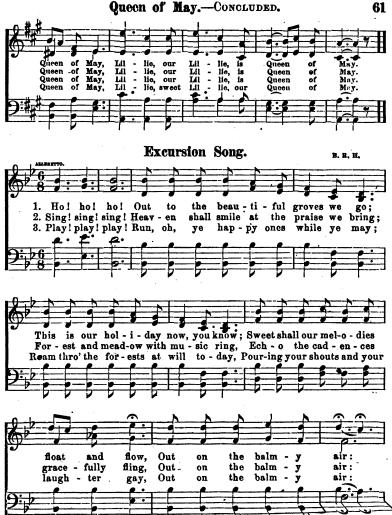


The above will be easily learned by the little ones, and afford them great numsement, as well as profit. After learning the tune, let them take the other consonants in their order, thus: U, a da; d, e, de, &c. All the consonants in the alphabet may be used, except C, Q, Q, and X.











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